

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Enrique V. Barrera, *et al.*
Serial No.: 10/576,134
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Title: SIDEWALL FUNCTIONALIZATION OF CARBON NANOTUBES
WITH ORGANOSILANES FOR POLYMER COMPOSITES
Confirmation No: 5500
Art Unit: 1794
Examiner: Peter Y. Choi

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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action ("Office Action") having a mailing date of August 13, 2009 with a shortened statutory period for reply of one month set to expire on September 13, 2009, Applicants respectfully submit an election of invention and claim amendments herein. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the claims on their merits in view of the claim elections and amendments set forth in this response as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on Page 7 of this paper.